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From the Evening Poſt, Nov, 17.

Antwerp, Nov. 15.

AS the Ware-houſes at Oſtend are not large enough to contain all the E. India Goods, they have begun to build new ones, not only to ſtow the Surplus of the Goods, but alſo Materials for building Ships for the Company.

Rome, Oct. 26. When the Pope declared to the Sacred College his Intention of raiſing the Ancient Biſhop of Frejus to the Purple, Cardinal del Giudice, in Name of his Brethren, declared his Conſent of that Body, in the following Manner.

Moſt Holy Father,

THE Purple was due long ago to the Merit of that moſt excellent Perſon Mr. Andrew Hercules, Ancient Biſhop of Frejus. The Moſt Serene King of France LOUIS, filled with Gratitude for his beloved Preceptor, earneſtly requeſted it of Your Holineſs; this Requeſt has been preceeded by a general Applauſe of all the other Powers, a Thing which ſeldom happens. What could then have come to paſs more favourable or honourable for Your Holineſs, than to raiſe to the Dignity of the Cardinalat, a Prelat ſo well known and ſo famous in the Opinion of Sovereigns, moſt agreeable to the King his Maſter, who in all Things has conſtantly cleaved to the Holy Apoſtolick See; a Prelate reſpected and admired by all Nations, and generally eſteemed by all Men? I return, for my ſelf, moſt humble Thanks to Your Holineſs, for the Reſolution You have taken, to give us, in the Perſon of that Prelate, a Brother, who by his Virtue, Manners, and Example, will aſſiſt, and excite us to aim always at what is beſt and moſt important, or for the Glory and Advantage of the Holy See.

Naples, Oct. 29. We have an Account from Iſchia, that two Ships on Fire had been ſeen in the Air; one of which two Hours after ſeemed as falling down into the Sea, and the other diſappeared ſoon after.

Warſaw, Oct. 31. They write from Grodno, that 'twas apprehended the general Diet of the Kingdom, would ſeparate the latter End of next Week, after having taken a Reſolution for making an Addition of the National Forces, for the neceſſary Defence of the Republick, and for ſupplying the Room of thoſe Troops which are to be ſent to Courland, to oblige the States of that Dutchy to return to the Obedience of the Republick.

Antwerp, Nov. 19. Our India Company has received freſh Aſſurances from the Court of Vienna, that the Emperor will maintain the Charter granted them in the 1723. And tho' the Peace be not yet concluded with the Algerines, yet they have lately granted five Paſſports for our Companies Ships, till the Articles of the Peace can be agreed upon, the Concluſion whereof has hitherto been obſtructed by the Demand of the value of the Ship from the Morea, taken by their Corſairs in 1724.

Vienna, Nov. 9. 'Tis aſſured that Spain preſſes for a Categorical Anſwer concerning the Succour and Aſſiſtance the Emperor has promiſed. Field Marſhal Count Guido de Schulemburg, has been offered the Command of the Imperial Forces in Italy, Count de Harrach is expected here in a few Days, on account of ſome important Affairs. The Ruſſian Miniſter Lancinsky has delivered his new Credentials as Envoy Extraordinary from the Empreſs of Ruſſia, and had Yeſterday an Audience of the Emperor in that Quality, on which Occaſion, 'tis ſaid, the Exchange of the laſt Treaty has been made.

Copenhagen, Nov. 12. Vice Admiral Bille who was obliged to put in at Dantzick, with part of his Squadron, writes Word that he will ſail for this Port with the firſt fair Wind. In the mean while, we are buſy in unrigging the Ships already arrived here. The Hoſpital Ship which was given over for loſt, has now joined Vice Admiral Bille. Admiral Deſcheſted beſtirs himſelf mightily to forward the building of the new Men of War and Fregates now upon the Stocks, that they may be ready againſt next Spring to ſtrengthen his Majeſty's Fleet, for which End he appears almoſt every Day at the Holm, and has got the Workman's Pay advanced a Penny a Day. They talk that the King has given Orders

Orders to transport hither from Norway, before Winter, Part of the Seamen engaged for the next Years Service, to have them ready upon all Events.

On Friday last an English Fregate arrived in our Road from Stockholm, and sailed immediately for London, after the Captain had delivered some Dispatches to the Lord Glenorchy, the British Minister. The Difficulties about the Ceremonial with the French Ambassador, being entirely removed, this Minister has already had several Conferences with our Ministers.

Lubeck, Nov. 14. The Passage of the Russian Packet Boats, established between Petersburg and this City, having been interrupted all last Summer, we were surprised to see one of those Ships arrive here two Days ago laden with all Sorts of Merchandize, and having 30 Passengers on board.

Hague, Nov. 22. Our Officers meet with good Success in beating up for Volunteers, to make Augmentation of 10,000 Men lately ordered by the States General; and there is so great a Number of Deserters from the Prussian Troops in some Places, that we have no Room to doubt of our Compliment of Men by the Time prefixed, to wit the 25th of March. Their High Mightinesses have moreover resolved to fit out a Squadron of six Men of War by the first of April following; but as for their Design to take into their Pay some Troops of Foreign Princes, the same will certainly be laid aside; the French Court having assured them that they shall have what Number they require at any Time, of the Forces from France.

Hague, Nov. 22. We have it from good Hands at Berlin, That the King of Prussia is likely to take great Umbrage at the Elector of Cologn's Design to fortifying Keyserwaert again; because when executed, that Place will cover the Dutchy of Bergue on the Side of Cleves, in which the Town of Wesel is situate.

Paris, Nov. 20. Some Days ago the King gave a very eminent Proof his Goodness, which is so peculiar to him, and for which the Cardinal Minister has given him so just a Character; The King being one Day at Table after he had been overturn'd in his Chaise, the Master of the Horse ask'd him, What he would please to have done to his Coachman that overturned him? *Why!* (said the King, with that Sweetness of Temper which charmed all the Court) *let him drive me again Tomorrow.*

From the Whitehall Evening-Post, Nov. 17.

Cadix, Oct. 22. They talk here, that the Genoese Men of War taken into our Service, are designed to reinforce the Squadron we have in the W. Indies, for bringing home the Galleons.

Vienna, Nov. 2. The Turkish Aga has sent three of his Domesticks in Irons to Constantinople, who are said to have conspired against his Life, the Plot having been discovered by a Christian. What prompted them to such a vilainous Design was, that they expected he would renounce Mahometanism, which they inferred from his frequenting of late the Christians with much Familiarity, and visiting so often the Cloisters.

London, Nov. 17. On Tuesday last arrived Dispatches from his Excellency Abraham Stanian Esq; his Majesty's Ambassador at the Ottoman Porte.

Friday last the Spanish Ambassador dispatched an Express to the Court of Madrid, about some very important Matters.

On Friday last died Dr. Crichton an eminent Physician of this City.

Benefit TICKETS drawn in the present State LOTTERY, on *Saturday* the 12th and *Monday* the 14th being the 48th and 49th Days.

Num.	*Value.*	*Num.*	*Value.*	*Num.*	*Value*
60043	100	54263	500	17260	100
95297	100	77400	100	91241	100
33431	100	43836	500	33641	100
52343	100	11273	5000	7616	1000
76165	1000	65847	100	40225	100
8021	100	41266	100	20558	100
81642	500				

And 362 of 20 L. each.

Total drawn from the Beginning, 7801.

Benefit TICKETS *drawn on Tuesday the* 15th, *and Wednesday the* 16th, *being the* 50 *and* 51*st Days.*

Num.	*Value.*	*Num.*	*Value.*	*Num.*	*Value*
28559	2000	93379	100	89475	100
95622	100	64531	500	98194	100
14141	100	35544	500	81484	100
5313	100	96209	100	24600	100
78846	1000	6381	100	13733 (being last drawn)	1000

And 186 of 20 l. each.

Total drawn from the Beginning, 8002

From the Daily Journal, Nov. 17.

Rome, Nov. 2. It has been expected ever since the 29th past, that the Portuguese Ministers would leave the Court and return home; but Yesterday

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a Courier arrived from Lisbon, so that 'tis now no farther talk'd off: In the mean Time, as far as we can learn, the Court has complied with the Desires of his Portugueſe Majeſty. We are informed, that his Holineſs intends to make ſeveral new Cardinals before Chriſtmaſs; but whether M. Bichi will be of the Number is not at preſent certain.

Paris, Nov. 20. The Royal Academy of Inſcriptions having met, wherein the Abbot Bignon preſided, the Abbot Maffeia read a Diſſertation on the Gout, diſtinguiſhing the natural Gout from the acquired Gout, and Father Montfacon another on the Rays of Glory, which are ſometimes put about the Heads of Emperors and Kings.

Wye's Letter verbatim, London, Nov. 19.

Since our laſt arrived a Mail from Holland, and one from France.

SOme People are apt to think, that the Differences ariſen in relation to Courland between the Czarina and the King of Poland, will induce the latter to accede to the Hanover Treaty. Her Czariſh Majeſty has aſſigned the Dutcheſs Dowager of Courland, &c. *as more fully below.*

Much Notice is taken of the Speech which the French Ambaſſador lately made to the Senate of Venice; towards the Cloſe of which, his Excellency expreſſes thus: "The King my Maſter is very "Great, very Potent; his noble Ambition inclines "him only to maintain the Peace of all the Powers "in Europe, by ſuch a happy Medium, as to ſe"cure at once the Welfare of his own Subjects, and "thoſe of his Neighbours, and by his Moderation, "to become not the Maſter, but the Father and "Benefactor of all the Empires. Your Councils, "no doubt, are animated with the ſame Deſigns: "The Peace and Tranquillity of Italy was always "the Object of your Wiſhes; and will be ſtill more "ſolidly eſtabliſhed, when you ſhall maintain it in "Concert with the King, already ſo moderate, "that in his Youth he deſerves both your Admira"tion and your Confidence.

The Liſt of the Spaniſh Men of War in Porto Bello and the Havana, are; The Conde de Cluvego, 56 Guns, 600 Men; a Dutch Prize of 40 Guns; the Caſtellan Don Corneco, Admiral, of 66 Guns, 24 Pounders the lower Tear; the Soſonate of 54 Guns, another of 24 Guns, and 2 Ships of 60 Guns each, which came with the Flota from Vera Crux; the Triumphanta Caſtagnetta, Admiral of all America, 52 Guns; the Arguila of 26 Guns, and two more of 60 Guns each expected from Spain, and 2 of 60 and 70 Guns building in the Havana; That there are alſo 14 Merchant Ships, from 24 to 36 Guns, but not well mann'd,

The Spaniſh Ambaſſador here, received Yeſterday an Expreſs from Madrid, the Contents whereof People are very impatient to learn, but as yet they are kept ſecret.

They continue to work at Portſmouth in ſheathing the Remainder of the 6 Men of War bound to the Weſt Indies, with ſo much Expedition, that we expect to hear of their ſailing next Monday if the Wind continues Eaſterly.

Some Colluſive underhand Dealings have been diſcovered againſt certain of the Directors of our Eaſt India Company, during the late and former Sales; the Buyers of Goods ſeem determined upon inſiſting on the Calling of a General Court to redreſs Matters, and to get ſome out of the Direction.

Our laſt Advices give but little Hopes of ſeeing the preſent Differences compoſed without a War. From Vienna we learn, that the Spaniſh Miniſter has demanded the Succours ſtipulated to be granted by the Emperor to Spain by the late Treaty; ſetting forth at the ſame Time, the Affronts, as they term it, offered to the Spaniards in the Weſt Indies by Admiral Hoſier: Upon which, 'tis ſaid, ſome of the Imperial Council ſent for a certain Miniſter, and declared, That the Emperor would be obliged to draw the Sword, contrary to his Inclination: for ſuch Things were not to be born, or to that Effect.

The States General have reſolved to make a further Augmentation of their Troops with 10,000 Men, and likewiſe to augment their Naval Forces.

'Tis ſaid the Duke of Wharton is ſo much out of Favour with the Pretender, that the latter has forbid his drawing any Bill on his Banker at Rome, and that he has by his indecent Behaviour, rendered himſelf contemptible to the Spaniards. A great Perſon in the Dominions of Germany being dead, occaſions ſome Enquiry, whether ſuch Notice will be taken thereof, as to go into Mourning.

From the Evening Poſt, Nov. 19.

Petersburg, Oct. 31. Our Empreſs has ordered, that the Dutcheſs Dowager of Courland, as Princeſs Imperial, ſhall have a Guard of 150 Foot and 160 Horſe, who ſhall be conſtantly quartered at Mittau,

the Place where that Princeſs reſides, without admitting any Poliſh Troops there. The 12,000 Ruſſians who lately entered the Dutchy of Courland, are ſo quartered that in the Space of 24 Hours, they may be drawn up in one Body.

Vienna, *Nov.* 19. The Diſgrace of the late Confeſſor of the King of Spain, and of the Marquis de Grimaldo, is imputed to their having endeavoured to perſwade his Catholick Majeſty to abdicate the Crown once more.

Dantzick, *Nov.* 15. Letters from Grodno ſay, that the Diet of Poland broke up the 10th Inſtant, in a peaceable Manner, to the Satisfaction of the King, and the Advantage of the States. They kept ſitting 21 Hours before they could come to a Concluſion.

Copenhagen, *Nov.* 16. The Lord Glenorchy, Envoy Extraordinary of the K. of G. Britain, has taken the Character of Plenipotentiary.

London, *Nov.* 19. They write from Plimouth, that his Majeſty's Sloops the Cruiſer and Hawk, having been, purſuant to Order, dock'd and fitted out for a foreign Voyage, are now in Readineſs there, waiting farther Orders.

Advices from Holland import, that the Duke of Wharton was in Diſgrace with the Chevalier and with the Spaniards.

S. S. Stock, 99, 3 4ths. Annuities, 92, 3 4ths. India, 135, 1 4th. Bank, 120, 1 half. York Buildings, 6, 3 4ths.

From the St. James's Evening-Poſt, *Nov.* 19.

Hague, *Nov.* 26. Advices from Madrid ſay, that the Spaniards continue to make great Preparations for War; That they pretended to have next Year at Sea a Fleet of 50 Men of War, provided they could find Seamen enough to Man them; and that they were trying all Manner of Ways to raiſe ready Money.

Edinburgh, *Nov.* 24. On Tueſday laſt the Right Honourable the Lords of Juſticiary ſentenced one Iſobel Stirling to be Scourged thro' this City, and to be ſent to the Houſe of Correction for 6 Months, for her Acceſſion to the Murder of her Babe: and next Day their Lordſhips paſt Sentence of Death on Katharine Bell, being convicted of that unnatural Crime. She is to ſuffer on the 4th of January next.

Laſt Week died the Laird of Meldrum, at his Country Seat in the North.

Saturday laſt arrived a Ship at Leith from Bremen, with good Mum, Beer, &c.

¶§ On Tueſday the Fourteenth of February 1727, to be run for at Leith, near Edinburgh, a Prize of Seventy Guineas, (given by the *County*) by any Horſe, Mare or Gelding, the beſt of Three Heats; the winning Horſe to have a Plate of Sixty Guineas; the ſecond beſt deſerving, a Purſe of Ten Guineas: Full-aged, to carry 10 Stone; Six Years old, 9 Stone 12 pounds; the Five Years old, 9 Stone 4 pound, and the Four Years old, 8 ſtone, 6 pounds, all Engliſh Weight, beſide Saddle and Bridle. A Teſtificate of their Ages to be produced under the Hand of the Breeder. No Croſſing or Joſtling. To run as the Articles ſhall direct. Each Horſe to pay two Guineas, and to be at Leith 10 Days before Running; and to be booked, entred and ſhown Friday before running betwixt one and five after Noon with the Town Clerk of Leith; with whom the Articles are to be ſeen. Four Horſes to ſtart, or no Race.

†*† That upon Monday the 28th November, Inſt. betwixt two and three aclock after Noon, the eight Part of the Roperie in the the Links of Leith, as alſo two thirds of the Water Saw-mill above the Bridge of Leith and Inſtruments, are to be ſold by Way of Roup, in the Houſe of George Miln Vintner in Leith, or the ſaid Saw-mill is to be ſet for one, two or three Years. The Inventaries and Articles of Roupare to be ſeen in the Hands of Matthew Brown, one of the Depute Clerks of Seſſion at Dalrymple's Office, within the Head of Wariſton's Cloſs, or at the ſaid Roperie in the Hands of the Clerk thereof.

¶¶¶ There is to be expoſed to voluntar Roup and Sale on Thurſday the 15th of December 1726, in the Houſe of Patrick Herdman Vintner, betwixt the Hours of 3 & 4 after Noon, the Town and Lands of CRAIGLOCKHART Tower, Fortalice, Mannor-place, Houſes, Biggings, Yards and Pertinents thereto belonging: being a good fertile Soil, pleaſantly ſituate, having large Conveniency for Paſturage on the Hills belonging thereto; with the Houſes and Stone-Quarrey pertaining to the ſame in Sclateford. There is a large handſome Houſe two Storey high, lately built on the ſaid Lands, poſſeſſed by the Tenant, beſides ſeveral other Conveniencies; ſuch as a Brewary poſſeſſed by a Su-btenant, a convenient Seat in the Church, and the like; lying about two Miles Weſt from Edinburgh, in the Sheriffdom thereof, Pariſh of Hails, alias Colington. The Lands hold Blanche of the Crown. The Rental, Conditions of Roup, and Rights, are to be ſeen in the Hands of *Thomas Johnſton* Writer in Edinburgh, in Mr. Aliſon of Birkhill's Writing chamber in Carrubber's Cloſe, on the North ſide of the Street, above the Biſhop's Land.

¶ That on the 22d Day of December next, betwixt the Hours of two and four in the Afternoon, in the Houſe of Mris. Elon Vintner in Edinburgh, there is to be ſold by publick voluntary Roup, the Lands of Laghall, Netherton, Boigs, Prieſtlands, Redbrae, Woodhead and Miln Armannoch and Marchromne, with a Salmond Fiſhing on the Water of Nith, paying 107 L. 6 ſh. 8 d. Sterl. of Yearly free Rent, beſide Kains and Caſualities, holden of the Crown Taxtward, lying within a Mile or thereby of the Burgh of Dumfries, the greateſt Part thereof betwixt the Waters of Nith and Crirgin, in the Pariſh of Troquire and Stewartry of Kircudbright. The Progreſs of the Writs with the Rental and Conditions of Sale, to be ſeen in the Hands of Thomas Goldie Writer to the Signet at his Writing Chamber in Edinburgh.